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FORRIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - ARGENTINA; IS - ARGENTINA;  
ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM - ARGENTINA

ON 8/28/75, a confidential source abroad ADVISED THAT AN ARGENTINE HERCULES C-130 MILITARY AIRCRAFT EXPLODED THIS AFTERNOON, 8/28/75, WHILE TAKING OFF FROM TUCUMAN IN NORTHERN ARGENTINA. THE SOURCE ADVISED THAT INITIAL REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE EXPLOSION WAS CAUSED BY A TERRORIST CONTACT MINE PLACED ON THE RUNWAY, IN ORDER THAT IT WOULD EXPLODE WHEN THE AIRCRAFT PASSED OVER IT. SOURCE ADVISED THAT PRELIMINARY REPORTS FROM TUCUMAN IN NORTHERN ARGENTINA INDICATE THAT OVER TWENTY ARGENTINE ARMY PERSONNEL WERE KILLED IN THE HOLOCAUST. SOURCE NOTED THAT TUCUMAN HAS BEEN THE SCENE OF ARGENTINE ARMY ANTI-GUERRILLA OPERATIONS FOR THE PAST SIX MONTHS, AND THAT NUMEROUS GUERRILLAS HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THE ARGENTINE ARMY. (X) (U)

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